

**Exception-Waiver  
Interconnection Trunks Provided Over Loop Transport Facilities**

Verizon may file a petition for an exception or waiver in connection with interconnection trunks<sup>1</sup> that are provided over loop transport facilities.<sup>2</sup> If Verizon fails to meet a performance standard as a result of its performance in connection with interconnection trunks that are provided over loop transport facilities, Verizon may petition the Commission for an exclusion or adjustment of Verizon's performance results in connection with such interconnection trunks. In the petition, Verizon shall demonstrate why its performance in connection with interconnection trunks that are provided over loop transport facilities should be excluded or adjusted.<sup>3</sup> CLECs and other interested parties shall be given an opportunity to respond to any Verizon MD petition for an exception or waiver. The Commission will determine which, if any, of the performance results should be excluded or adjusted.

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<sup>1</sup> As used in this paragraph, "interconnection trunks" include, but are not limited to, "Interconnection Trunks," "Interconnection Trunks (CLEC)," "CLEC Trunks" and "VZ Inbound Augment Trunks."

<sup>2</sup> See, *In the Matter of the Review By the Commission Into Verizon Maryland Inc.'s Compliance with the Conditions of 47 U.S.C. §271(c)*, Case No. 8921, Letter of December 16, 2002, from the Maryland Public Service Commission to William R. Roberts, President, Verizon Maryland Inc., Para. 5, "Entrance Facilities."

<sup>3</sup> The measurements affected by loop transport interconnection include, but are not limited to, measurements under the following metrics: PR-1, PR-4, PR-6, MR-2, MR-4, MR-5 and NP-1.